A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City and Prince George's County – Grant Funding – Violence Prevention and Community Service

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to annually include certain funding in the annual budget bill for the Baltimore City State's Attorney's Office and the Prince George's County State's Attorney's Office for certain grants; requiring the offices to establish certain procedures and enhance certain coordination of services; specifying certain purposes for which certain grant funds may be used; requiring an organization that receives grant funding to comply with certain data sharing requirements; and generally relating to grant funding for violence prevention and community services.

BY adding to

Article – Public Safety

Section 4–1002.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Public Safety

4–1002.1.

(A) EACH YEAR THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF $500,000 TO THE BALTIMORE CITY STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND $500,000 TO THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR EACH TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NONPROFIT

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
ORGANIZATIONS TO FUND VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICE INITIATIVES.

(B) THE BALTIMORE CITY STATE’S ATTORNEY’S OFFICE AND THE PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY STATE’S ATTORNEY’S OFFICE SHALL:

(1) ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO USE IN APPLYING FOR GRANTS; AND

(2) ENHANCE COORDINATION OF EXISTING ANTIVIOLENCE PROGRAMS AND NONPROFIT GRANT FUNDS TO MINIMIZE DUPLICATION OF SERVICES.

(C) A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION APPLYING FOR GRANT FUNDING UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL PROVIDE IN THE APPLICATION:

(1) CLEARLY DEFINED AND MEASURABLE OBJECTIVES; AND

(2) A DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION PROPOSES TO USE THE FUNDING TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY OUTCOMES OR REDUCE RATES OF VIOLENCE.

(D) A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT RECEIVES FUNDS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE:

(1) MAY USE THE FUNDING ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(2) SHALL COMPLY WITH ANY DATA SHARING AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF CRIME PREVENTION, YOUTH, AND VICTIM SERVICES UNDER § 4–1009 OF THIS SUBTITLE AS A CONDITION OF RECEIVING FUNDING.

(E) THE FUNDS REQUIRED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED SOLELY TO SUPPLEMENT, AND NOT SUPPLANT, FUNDS OTHERWISE AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS IN BALTIMORE CITY AND PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2022.